

# General Environmental Incident Summary

**Incident:** 3767      **Date/Time Notice:** 5/31/2015      1216      **DEM Incident No:**  
**Responsible Party:** Minnesota Power  
**Date Incident:** 5/29/2015      **Time Incident:** 1700      **Duration:** 10 minutes  
**County:** Oliver      **Twp:** 141      **Rng:** 87      **Sec:** 15      **Qtr:** NE  
**Lat:** 47.03204      **Long:** -101.68330      **Method:** Interpolation from map  
**Location Description:** From Hwy 49 go east on 28th St to 57th Ave. Go North 1 mile then turn East onto the turbine access road. Turbine is the 4th turbine on the road.

**Submitted By:** William Fraundorf      **Affiliation:**  
**Address:** 30 W. Superior Street  
**City:** Duluth      **State:** MN      **Zip:**

## Received By:

## Contact Person:

401 S. 1st Strett  
New Salem, ND

**Distance Nearest Occupied Building:** 1.75 Miles      **Release Contained:** Yes

**Type of Incident:** Spill

**Description of Released Contaminant:** Hydraulic Oil

**Volume Spilled:** 5.00 gallons      **Ag Related:** No

**EPA Extremely Hazardous Substance:** No      **Reported to NRC:** No

## Cause of Incident:

Hydraulic oil leaked from the turbine's nacelle, down the tower and some contacted the soil.

## Risk Evaluation:

No human health risks given the material released (hydraulic oil), given the limited volume of the release, given the release medium (soil) and given the oil was not misting in the air.

**# of Fatalities:** 0      **# of Injuries:** 0      **Affected Medium:** 03 - soil

## Potential Environmental Impacts:

Minimal given the limited volume released, the release was limited to soil and was promptly cleaned up.

## Action Taken or Planned:

The oil was contained by the soil. Cleanup was initiated on Friday evening and was completed on Saturday morning. Excavated soil was drummed for disposal.

**Wastes Disposal Location:** Clean Harbors landfill in Sawyer, ND

**Agencies Involved:** none

## ***Updates***

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***Date:*** 6/2/2015    ***Status:*** Reviewed - No Action Required

***Author:*** Crowdus, Kory

***Updated Volume:***

***Notes:***

Release of hydraulic fluid off location. Due to the small amount and prompt cleanup, no follow up is required.